

MAGNETS SAY STRIKE CRISIS GRAVE. THOUGH NOT HOPELESS

Heads of Railroad Systems Go Over Whole Situation With President But Fail To Reach Any Agreement On Compromise

GOVERNMENT EXPECTED TO TAKE PROMPT ACTION

In Case of Rupture Between Capital and Labor Federal Authorities Undoubtedly Will Assume Control of Railroads

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

WASHINGTON, August 20.—"Marking time until Monday."

In these words one of the railroad presidents who attended the conference with President Wilson over the railroad situation summarized the results of the meeting last night.

"The situation is grave, but not hopeless, so far as I can see," he added. "We went over the whole ground with Mr. Wilson, but, I am sorry to say, did not reach any conclusion."

Both sides and not a few government officials openly discussed the possibility of governmental operation in case of a strike.

Government Would Control

It was pointed out that the general feeling is that the situation would not permit of the paralyzing of the entire transportation system in the United States, and that the government would adopt measures to take over the complete control of the railroads as soon as the strike was declared.

Both sides admitted yesterday that in no case would the strike last long. Most persons, asked for a statement as to their opinion, declared that a week is the longest probable period, but all united in asserting that untold damage would be done to American industry in even that short space of time.

Great Opposition to Demands

It was asserted by several of the railroad presidents who conferred with Mr. Wilson that the manufacturers and shippers of the United States would register their opposition to the eight-hour day demands of the brotherhoods, and they added that they expected heavy pressure to be brought to bear upon senators and representatives along the same line.

The strike crisis continues practically as tense as at any time within the past week. Both the railroads and the employees are maneuvering for the support of the public and of public opinion. Each side is issuing statements directed to the public setting forth its case.

Long Conference Held

For an hour the President conferred with a party of thirty-three railroad presidents, discussing the situation and also his attitude with regard to it. When the big railroad men left the White House it was with no indication that they have abandoned their stand in the controversy shall be submitted to arbitration.

They give assurances, however, that the negotiations are not ended. Responsibility Will Be Fixed

After the conference the President said: "If there is a strike the public will know upon whom rests the responsibility, and that it does not rest upon me."

The railroad men and the various committees will continue their deliberations and will hold another conference with President Wilson.

MR. HUGHES DENOUNCES INVISIBLE GOVERNMENT

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

SAN FRANCISCO, August 20.—Before a large crowd last night James Hughes, talked about the impossibility of conducting a government properly by mixing politics with the business of preparedness, in the expectation of maintaining national honor intact. He also discussed the administrative functions of the government, and declared that he is opposed to "invisible government," such as the United States has seen of late years.

TROPICAL STORM SWEEPS OVER SOUTHERN TEXAS

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

SAN ANTONIO, August 19.—Reports from various sections of this and other states tell of heavy damage and loss of life due to the tropical storm of last night. Corpus Christi has been badly damaged but there are no fatalities. The town is under three feet of water.

MRS. HARRY R. TUCK DEAD

News received in Honolulu by the last Coast mail tells of the death in San Francisco on July 16, last, of Mrs. Harry R. Tuck, a former resident of Honolulu and during the past eight years living in the Coast city. Mrs. Tuck was a sister-in-law of Mrs. Henry Holmes, Mrs. Joseph W. Podmore and Mrs. Hattie Brodus of this city.

MORE JAPANESE TROOPS IN CHINA

Peking Protests Against 'Aggression' As Result of Trouble In Cheng Chia Tung

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

WASHINGTON, August 20.—China has filed a formal protest against the despatch of 2000 Japanese reinforcements to Cheng Chia Tung as a result of the recent outbreak there, according to despatches to the Chinese embassy here last night.

Peking officials claim that the Japanese there refused to obey the order of the Chinese magistrate to take precautions against the expected raid of a large body of bandits. The resistance of the Japanese, it is asserted, resulted in the killing of seventeen persons on both sides.

According to despatches from Tokio yesterday, the Japanese government authorities held a cabinet meeting Friday afternoon to discuss the situation. Following this conference, it was announced that the attitude of Japan would depend largely upon whether China cooperated in the punishment of those guilty of the attack upon the Japanese soldiers.

Members of the Chinese legation here declared last night that no serious developments are to be feared. The state department is watching the situation carefully, as America is interested, in view of possible eventualities.

JAPANESE FIGHTING SPREAD OF CHOLERA

Every Port In Empire Affected By New Quarantine

(Special Cablegram to Nippon Jiji.)

TOKIO, August 19.—The department of home affairs today issued special quarantine orders affecting every port in the empire and all vessels, whether entering into or anchoring off these ports.

This order results from the continued and alarming spread of cholera. The epidemic which now threatens the large cities of Yokohama, Nagasaki and Osaka is not only not checked but shows no sign of abatement and numerous new cases are reported daily in all of the three cities.

FLORIDA MOB LYNCHES FIVE COLORED PERSONS

Gainesville Mob Hangs Three Men and Two Women

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

GAINESVILLE, Florida, August 20.—Five negroes—three men and two women—were taken from the jail at Newberry, not far from this city, last night, and lynched by a mob.

The victims were marched to nearby trees and hanged.

The lynchings were the result of the shooting the day before of Deputy Sheriff S. G. Wynne and Dr. L. G. Harris by a negro who escaped.

The lynched negroes were accused of having aided the murderer to escape the pursuing posse.

FUNSTON REPORTED URGING WITHDRAWAL OF PERSHING

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

WASHINGTON, August 19.—War department officials this afternoon refused to confirm or deny a report that Gen. Frederick Funston has recommended the withdrawal of the Pershing expedition from Mexico. Indications are that such a message has been received.

INFANTILE PARALYSIS TOLL STILL GROWING

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

NEW YORK, August 19.—The toll of victims of infantile paralysis today was 36 dead and 134 new cases. Doctors and nurses are hopeful but not confident that the epidemic is being brought slowly under control.

SOCIALIST CLUBS RAIDED

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

LONDON, August 20.—A despatch to the Exchange Telegraph last night, from its correspondent at Geneva, declared that the police of Berlin last Wednesday raided a number of Socialist clubs. A large quantity of peace manifestos were seized by the officers and a number of arrests were made.

TEETHING CHILDREN.

Teething children have more or less diarrhoea, which can be controlled by giving Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. All that is necessary is to give the prescribed dose after each operation of the bowels more than natural and then castor oil to cleanse the system. It is safe and sure. Even the most severe and dangerous cases are quickly cured by it. For sale at all dealers. Benson, Smith & Co., Ltd., agents for Hawaii.

JUDGE HUMPHREYS PASSES AWAY, AFTER PROLONGED ILLNESS

Was Leading Member of Hawaiian Bar and Former Circuit Jurist

COURTS ADJOURN OUT OF RESPECT TO DECEASED

Simple Funeral Services Held Following Last Wishes of Well Known Citizen

(From Sunday Advertiser.)

Judge A. S. Humphreys passed away at two o'clock yesterday morning at his home, 1515 Wilder avenue, after a prolonged illness. His last moments were peaceful. Funeral services were held at the residence at three o'clock yesterday afternoon. Rev. David Carey, pastor of the Christian Church of this city, officiating. The pallbearers were Chief Justice Robertson, Circuit Judge Ashford, Collector of Customs Franklin, Judge Charles F. Parsons, Judge Antonio Perry and Attorney C. S. Franklin.

In accordance with the last wishes of the deceased, the service was a simple one, but many friends, many of whom had known the late Judge Humphreys since his residence of almost a quarter of a century in Honolulu, attended. Following the service the body of the deceased was cremated and the ashes interred in the Nuuanu cemetery.

Out of respect to the memory of the deceased the police and circuit courts adjourned early yesterday morning. Judge A. D. Larnach in the former and Judge Ashford in the latter tribunal making appropriate remarks on the passing of an old and valued member of the bar. The flag over the police station, the judiciary building and the Capitol were half-masted throughout the day.

Tribute Paid Memory

The deceased is survived by his widow, Mrs. Humphreys, who is a member of the well-known Long family of this city; two daughters, the Misses Frances and Marie, and twin sons, Abram and Caldwell. He also left two half brothers in the mainland, Col. William D. Humphreys, an officer in the late Confederate army, now a resident of Columbus, Mississippi, and John W. Humphreys, also residing in Columbus.

After paying a fitting tribute to the memory of the late Judge Humphreys, whom he had known professionally and intimately for twenty-three years, Judge Ashford, speaking from the bench yesterday, said:

"Everything connected, from the time when the breath should leave his body until the time when his ashes should finally be placed beneath the sod, has been fully programmed by him and the program is expected to be carried out in accordance with his wishes, which are, in brief, that there shall be a very brief simple ceremony at his home this afternoon at three o'clock, when his family will be pleased to see his friends present."

"As I say, everything has been planned out and given in charge, first, to myself and then to his wife, who has been devoted to him in this illness to such an extent in these six weeks which would arouse the admiration of anyone acquainted with the facts."

"I feel that on an occasion of this kind the least the court can do to pay respect to him is to adjourn the proceedings and continue the calendar."

Abram Stephens Humphreys was born at Columbus, Mississippi, on January 16, 1868, his father being Abram S. and his mother Eliza Tucker Humphreys. He was educated in the University of Columbus, Mississippi, and came to Honolulu in the spring days of 1895, days which were witnessing the transition of Hawaii from an independent nation to her place eventually as one of the commonwealths of the United States of America.

Married on Birthday

On January 16, 1896, the day Judge Humphreys celebrated his twenty-eighth birthday anniversary, he married Miss Marie Afong, who survives him, in this city.

Judge Humphreys was admitted to the bar in Mississippi in 1888 while yet under age. On June 30, 1900, he was appointed by President McKinley as one of the judges of the first circuit court in Honolulu, but resigned from the bench on September 1, 1902. In the practice of his profession here he was one of the foremost among Honolulu lawyers and handled some of the biggest litigations before the courts in the Territory.

JUDGEMENT IS RESERVED

Until he can personally investigate the circumstances leading up to the alleged theft of thirty dollars from a "Sincere" living in Kaoluahua lane, in the district where the prosecuting victim resides, Judge Ashford postponed decision in the case of three Hawaiian boys charged with the theft in the juvenile court yesterday.

ITALIAN STEAMER IS SUNK

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

LONDON, August 19.—The 9000-ton Italian steamer Stambula has been sunk in the war-zone of the Mediterranean. The steamer plies between New York and Italian ports. She was armed for defensive purposes.

CONSUL GENERAL MOROI DECORATED

Receives Order of Sacred Treasure and Money Present As Well

(Tokyo Cablegram to Nippon Jiji.)

TOKIO, August 20.—The Mikado yesterday announced that he had decided to decorate a number of Japanese diplomats, members of the house of peers and members of the house of representatives as well as his privy councillors, and the vice-ministers of every department, for the work they have done during the war with Germany.

Viscount S. Chinda, former ambassador to the United States and A. Sato, former ambassador to Austria and later to the United States were given yen 2000 each.

Osakuro Moroi, consul general to Hawaii was given the third class order of the Sacred Treasure and yen 200.

Twenty-four privy councillors were given golden cups, and most of the members of the house of peers and of the house of representatives received the fourth class order of the Sacred Treasure.

THINK ROBBERY IS MURDER SOLUTION

Friends of Dead Chauffeur Are Inclined To Believe Money Prompted Crime

Robbery, according to the contentions of certain Japanese students of the murder and brutal assault by some unknown on the J. B. Castle Waikiki premises a week ago last Friday whereby Castle's chauffeur, H. Emoto was quickly butchered to death and his wife, Tome, was cut severely, is alleged to have been the motive of the crime.

Statements were yesterday made to the police which tended to show that one hundred and fifty dollars was taken from the sleeping quarters of the Emotos on the night of the mysterious entry and attack. Friends of the murdered Emoto declare that he had saved one hundred and fifty dollars for the purpose of giving a fine dinner at which he was to announce his marriage to Tome. He had worked hard for this money and had hoped that the banquet would be sort of a love feast at which he might become reconciled with Fujimoto, Tome's brother-in-law.

Fujimoto, who is formally charged with murder in the first degree, will be arraigned before the grand jury next Friday afternoon.

PEARL HARBOR HAS IMPORTANT FUTURE

Indications Are Great Battle-cruiser Division Will Visit Station Periodically

With the passage of the naval appropriation bill by the house and senate, authorizing eight capital ships to be laid down this year (four battle-cruisers and four superdreadnaughts) the future of the Pearl Harbor navy station is clearly outlined.

The new dreadcock, which is 1000 feet long, will be completed during the summer of 1918. Simultaneously, four battlecruisers, laid down this year, will be nearing completion. These ships will be about 900 feet in length, and the dreadcock at Pearl Harbor, the Panama Canal and the League Island navy yard will be the only ones immediately available for docking these great ships. This clearly means periodic cruises to the Hawaiian Islands by the battle-cruiser division, as the regulations require docking at intervals of six months. Each of these battlecruisers will have a complement of 1000 men and sixty officers.

That the importance of the Pearl Harbor navy station is realized by the navy department, especially with the passage of the appropriation bill, was the sending of Capt. George R. Clark U. S. N., as commandant of the new station at this time. Previously, and until the present time, the navy-yard has been in a constructing state, and officers with only about a year's duty ahead of them on the active list have been sent out by the department as commandant.

The new commandant has almost three years remaining on the active list of the navy, and it is Captain Clark who will actually put the yard in commission and operation after all construction work is over.

That the navy department foresaw the importance of the navy bill can be seen by the selection of Captain Clark as the commandant of the Pearl Harbor navy station. This officer, besides having had experience at the naval academy, Annapolis, as head of one of the important departments, was commandant of the Great Lakes training station in Illinois, which station is one of our greatest naval training institutions while under his charge.

Captain Clark is an enthusiastic advocate of preparedness and a large navy. He has already shown a great interest in local matters, such as good roads, transportation facilities for Pearl Harbor, so that Pearl Harbor may be brought a little closer to Honolulu.

POPULAR SALESMAN IS PRISONER OF WAR

Friedrich F. Lacks, Formerly of Honolulu, Has Been Interned At Australian Camp

Hard luck appears to have camped on the trail of Friedrich F. Lacks, who formerly represented the German firm of Kuppel & Co. in this Territory and was ordered from Honolulu to Sydney.

Letters received from him by friends in Honolulu tell of his imprisonment in the war prisoners' detention camp at Liverpool, New South Wales, where he is being held as an alien enemy, until after the war ends, a commutation he says he is "most devoutly praying for."

Lacks came here about five years ago representing the German firm, which sends railway supplies and material and made a wide circle of friends all over Hawaii. Then his firm sent him to Australia. That was just before the war broke out, and Lacks dropped out of sight.

However, the firm which took him away from Hawaii did not get in its work for some months after the outbreak of hostilities. Indeed, according to his letters, it was not until last March that the Australian authorities decided that he was a menace to the commonwealth, and interned him along with a few thousand others in the big prison camp outside of Liverpool.

He appears to have been well treated there. Indeed he declares that although he pines "for the Alexander Young Hotel roof garden" he has very little to complain of.

"The food is good and there is lots of it," he says, "and they have given us large tennis courts, where I play a couple of hours every day. I manage to get in a lot of my time in study, mostly chemistry and languages and history, so that I am not by any means bored. Also, we have books of all sorts and many of the magazines."

The letters from this prisoner of war show that the number of words had been carefully counted, the allowance being evidently 150 words a letter.

Lacks winds up with an aloha to all his Hawaii friends, and "we are devoutly praying for the end of this cruel war."

CHAMP CLARK PANS REPUBLICAN LEADER

Speaker Tells People of Maine Hughes Has 'Shot Bolt'

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

BRUNSWICK, Maine, August 19.—"Champ Clark, speaker of the house of representatives and candidate for the democratic nomination for President in 1912, today formally opened the Democratic campaign for the re-election of Woodrow Wilson."

With humor, sarcasm and earnestness the speaker rapped the Republican campaigner and Candidate Hughes, and reviewed the achievements of the Wilson administration. He declared that President Wilson and the Democratic Congress have done many notable things in the past four years. Turning to the Republican opponents, he said: "Hughes has shot his bolt, but he has failed to hit the bullock."

He declared that it is impossible to make a national issue out of the dismissal of E. D. Durand; former director of the census, as much as it is impossible to make a national issue out of "Who hit Billy Patterson?" or the identity of the "Man in the Iron Mask."

DOCTOR MOORE'S CONDITION REPORTED SLIGHTLY BETTER

The condition of Dr. William L. Moore was reported late last night by the Queen's Hospital authorities as "fairly satisfactory."

Dr. Moore has been at the Queen's for a number of days, suffering from a peculiar infection of the right lung. The infection later passed to his right arm. Delicate operations have been performed and hopes are held out that the well known physician will recover shortly.

He has had attending him professionally Dr. W. C. Hobdy, A. C. Hodgins, A. N. Sinclair, C. B. Woods and H. V. Murray, in addition to whom there are four nurses, two during the day and two at night.

COMPENSATION MEASURE IS PASSED BY SENATE

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

WASHINGTON, August 20.—The workmen's compensation act was passed by the senate yesterday, virtually in the same form it came from the house. The measure provides that federal employees shall receive two thirds of their pay during disability, and adequate medical attendance if injured. It is believed that the bill will effect marked economies, by preventing protracted payments of compensation.

SAN FRANCISCO JAPANESE WELCOME PROFESSORS

(Special Cablegram to Hawaii Shipco.)

SAN FRANCISCO, August 19.—Japanese residents in this city will tender a reception to the four professors, Tashiro, Okada, Inagaki and Shiba of the Tokio Imperial University, who arrived here on the Tenyo Maru, on the way to European countries on their mission, tomorrow night.

SOLDIERS OF ALLIES SURGE FORWARD OVER ELEVEN MILE FRONT

British, Under General Haig, Force Germans From Their Trenches Overlooking Thiepval and Capture Hundreds of Prisoners In Outskirts of Guillemont During Fierce Attacks

GREAT BALKAN DRIVE ON

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

PARIS, August 20.—More than eleven miles of trenches, from 200 to 600 yards deep, fell into the hands of the British yesterday after some of the hardest fighting the west front has seen since the great Somme River offensive was launched by the Entente Allies last month.

All day, while a thunderstorm raged, vying with the roar of the guns, the British struggled to force back the Germans and the latest reports from their headquarters last night told of the success of their efforts, and announced that the Germans had not even attempted infantry counter-attacks.

The offensive had a number of objectives. First Sir Douglas Haig wished to clear the Germans from their positions overlooking Thiepval. Ever since the British captured that town about the middle of last month, they have been troubled by the presence of a German force on a ridge overlooking the town. Yesterday, after a terrible bombardment the British infantry rushed the ridge, clearing the Teutons out of the trenches, and consolidating the crest.

Bayonet Trench Orders

Farther east, along the crest of another ridge, the British Teutons, waiting first for their guns to clear the barbed wire entanglements away, rushed the German positions, bayoneting the occupants, and driving the Teutons in to their second line supporting trenches, and gaining the high ground to the north and north east of Pozieres, toward the town of Martinpuich. The western slopes of Hill 152, Du Mouquet arm, and the approaches to the mill north of Pozieres, on the Martinpuich road. In all they took half a mile of trenches north of Pozieres.

Still farther east, and west of Highwood the British took more trenches and 796 prisoners.

But the most important gains of the day were in the vicinity of Guillemont, where the battle for ground has been going forward for several days. The British had flanked the town the day before and yesterday they swept forward until they had driven the Germans out of the outskirts of the town, seized the railroad station to the northwest of the town, and on the Albert-Peronne line, and drove the Germans out of their positions in the stone quarry near the town.

No Counter-Attack

The official statements in telling of the advance comment upon the fact that the Germans made no attempt to counter-attack and regain the ground so lost. This is the second time this has been mentioned in the British despatches of late, and has caused considerable comment in this city.

Earlier in the day the reports of the fighting told of the piercing of the German lines over a two mile front, to a depth of from 200 to 600 yards, and of the flanking of Guillemont.

Berlin admitted the retreat in the vicinity of Guillemont, officially stating that the Germans had been compelled to "shorten their lines," but declaring that elsewhere in that sector the attacks of the Allies had been beaten back with heavy losses.

Aerial Raid Succeeds

British aeroplanes also carried out a successful raid on German ammunition stations in Liebertvelde, Belgium, setting fire to the stores of munitions held there.

Farther to the east, on the bloody field north of Verdun, the French, under General Pottin continued to repulse the attacks of the Germans under the Crown Prince.

The official communique yesterday announced that the Gallie troops have finally cleared the important strategic town of Fleury of the enemy after days of hard fighting. The town itself is a battered ruin, a jumble of shell-riven brick and mortar, worthless in itself, but valuable for the position it gives the attackers.

The attacks are continuing and the French are gaining foot by foot, against the stubborn resistance of the Germans.

The official statement also flatly contradicts a report that had gone abroad to the effect that the Crown Prince had been captured wounded and was in a hospital at Verdun.

UNION WAITERS REFUSE TO SERVE AT HUGHES LUNCHEON

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

SAN FRANCISCO, August 19.—Union waiters here today refused to serve at the Charles E. Hughes luncheon at the Commercial club, supporting the open shop movement.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY

Take LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE Tablets. Druggists refund money if fails to cure. The signature of W. GROVE is on each box. Manufactured by the PARIS MEDICINE CO., St. Louis, U. S. A.

PORTUGAL CALLS PARLIAMENT

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

LISBON, August 19.—A decree was issued by the government today convening an extraordinary session of parliament for August 22.

CONGRESSMEN LIKELY TO ACCEPT VETO OF ARMY BILL

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

WASHINGTON, August 19.—There is no likelihood of a congressional fight on the army bill, which the President vetoed yesterday. Chairman Hay of the house committee will not oppose it when it is revised.